GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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Income from Cultivation of Cereals and Pulses
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether income from cultivation of many cereals and pulses has declined between 2004-05 and 2013-14 despite a considerable increase in their Minimum Support Price during this period;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the farmers income from cultivation of cereals and pulses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) to (c): The return of Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) over all India weighted average all paid out cost of production including family labour (A2+FL) of major cereals and pulses for 2004-05 and 2013-14 are as under:

Crop Return over A2+FL (%)
2004-05 2013-14
Paddy 45.83 36.32
Wheat 86.59 106.11
Maize 26.20 52.33
Arhar(Tur) 69.10 39.16
Moong 5.62 19.21
Urad 33.02 36.77
Gram 87.50 73.57

Government has taken several initiatives to increase agricultural production and productivity and to enhance income of farmers, inter alia, include progressive increase in Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) of various agricultural commodities including cereals and pulses, strengthening of procurement infrastructure, creation of a unified national agricultural market (e-NAM), increase in institutional credit, National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY), Soil Health Card, initiatives of Government of doubling the farmers' income etc.
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